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▶ From left to right: Ann Mara, mother of Giants co-owner John Mara, New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo, Giants quarterback Eli Manning and Giants head coach Tom Coughlin wave to fans yesterday on Broadway.

1 million throng Lower Manhattan to cheer Big Blue on 'Super' victory

Some got up at dawn to beat the crowds and get a prime spot along Broadway QB Eli Manning 'the coolest guy in town,' says Bloomberg

There is no greater sight than seeing New York City enveloped by toilet paper.

And that's how Lower Manhattan looked yesterday morning, in celebration of the Giants' 2012 Super Bowl win. Screaming fans filled the streets and piled onto balconies of buildings above Broadway as confetti rained down from the sky.

Sisters Stacey, 23, and Lauren Riley, 18, woke up at 6 a.m. to come in from Brewster, N.Y., for the parade.

The win "means a lot," Lauren said. "Our whole family is Giants fans."

Irini Bako, a 25-year-old analyst from Lower Manhattan, called the atmosphere "incredible."

"Enthusiasm, energy, awesome! It's great to see New Yorkers come together," said Bako. "The crowd went insane for Eli Manning."

"It means so much to me to have this day. We are No. 1 in the world!"
ANTHONY CRISOSTOMO, 48, OF WEST BABYLON

Giants quarterback Manning was indeed the king of the city yesterday. As the float he was on, along with Gov. Andrew Cuomo and head coach Tom Coughlin, passed, crowds shouted "MVP, MVP!"

During the official ceremony on the steps of City Hall, Coughlin said he spoke to President Barack Obama, who called yesterday morning to congratulate the team on the win.

And Mayor Michael Bloomberg introduced Manning as "the coolest guy in town."

Speaking before a crowd of thousands in front of City Hall, Manning joked that his team lost four games straight this season before they went on to win the Super Bowl.

While only 500 members of the public were allowed into the City Hall ceremony, where the players were each given a key to the city, many people were happy to simply be in the streets nearby.

"We saw all the players, Justin Tuck, Eli Manning. We got to see the trophy; they raised both trophies. It's a big party," said Edwin Collado, 30. "New York is alive again and the greatest city in the world."

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Parade photos

For more photos from the parade and Giants stadium, see pages 06-07.

What a key to NYC should get you:

All the Giants players, along with coach Tom Coughlin and the team's owner, were awarded a key to the city from Mayor Michel Bloomberg yesterday. The city's highest honor has also been bestowed on US Airways Capt. Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger and Yankees star Alex Rodriguez. They key's history traces back to medieval times in Europe, when city visitors actually needed a key to get through walls and gates. Today the six-inch brass key is only a symbolic honor and can't actually open anything. But Metro has some suggestions for what a key to the Big Apple should get its recipient:

- Freedom to go both ways down a one-way street.
- You can cut the line at Shake Shack.
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- Free pizza for life from Famous Famiglia.
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Canyon should not be just for sports heroes, some say

Some who many New Yorkers would call heroes say they wonder why they can't march down the "Canyon of Heroes" as well. 9/11 responder T.J. Gilmartin told Metro yesterday he applied in January to organize a parade for WTC responders and was denied.

"If you're calling me a hero, why can't I walk down the Canyon of Heroes?" he asked. "I got no problem giving the Giants a parade. But you know what, give us ours."

Others in the city support a parade for veterans of the Iraq war.

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In the news

Greg Kelly will not be charged in rape claim

Greg Kelly, a FOX 5 anchor and the son of the NYPD Commissioner, will not be charged with rape, according to a letter from the Manhattan district attorney. Kelly, who is a host on "Good Day New York" was accused last month of raping a 28-year-old woman in October. The Manhattan district attorney's office investigated the allegation, but will not be charging him. METRO

In the news

Man indicted

The man accused of shooting a police officer last week was indicted Monday. Luis Ortiz, 21, was indicted on one count of attempted murder. Police say he shot Officer Kevin Brennan, above, on Jan. 31 when Brennan responded to shots fired in Bushwick. It is "a miracle" Brennan survived, said NYPD Commissioner Ray Kelly. METRO/AB

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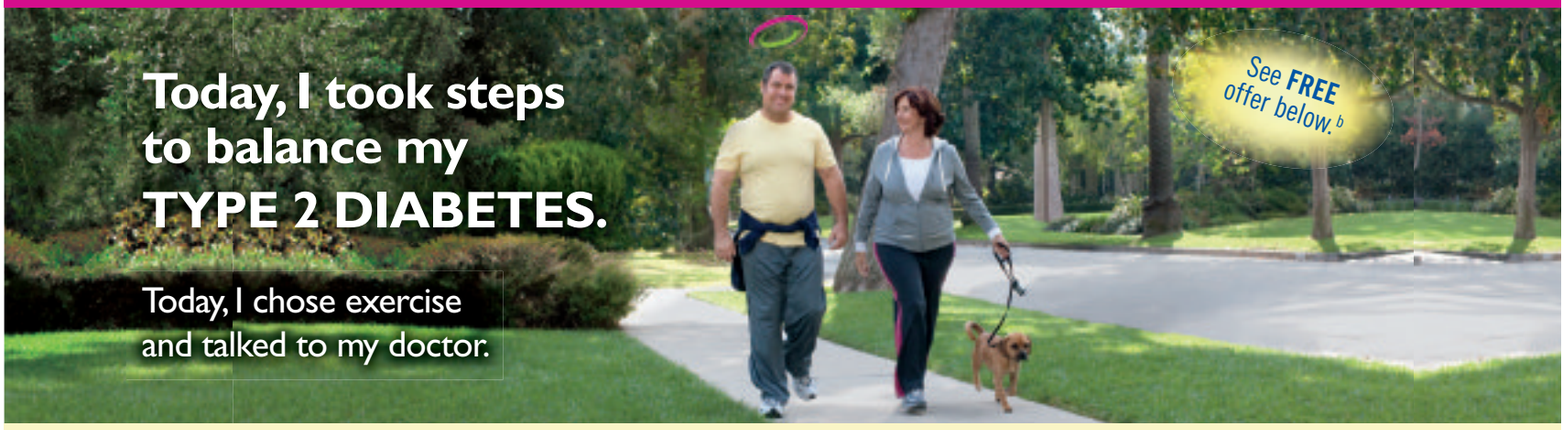

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- **JANUVIA is not likely to cause weight gain or low blood sugar (hypoglycemia).**

JANUVIA (jah-NEW-vee-ah) should not be used in patients with type 1 diabetes or with diabetic ketoacidosis (increased ketones in the blood or urine). If you have had pancreatitis (inflammation of the pancreas), it is not known if you have a higher chance of getting it while taking JANUVIA.

Selected Risk Information About JANUVIA: Serious side effects can happen in people who take JANUVIA, including pancreatitis, which may be severe and lead to death. Before you start taking JANUVIA, tell your doctor if you've ever had pancreatitis. Stop taking JANUVIA and call your doctor right away if you have pain in your stomach area (abdomen) that is severe and will not go away. The pain may be felt going from your abdomen through to your back. The pain may happen with or without vomiting. These may be symptoms of pancreatitis.

Do not take JANUVIA if you are allergic to any of its ingredients, including sitagliptin. Symptoms of serious allergic reactions to JANUVIA, including rash, hives, and swelling of the face, lips, tongue, and throat that may cause difficulty breathing or swallowing, can occur. If you have any symptoms of a serious allergic reaction, stop taking JANUVIA and call your doctor right away.

Kidney problems, sometimes requiring dialysis, have been reported.

If you take JANUVIA with another medicine that can cause low blood sugar (hypoglycemia), such as a sulfonylurea or insulin, your risk of getting low blood sugar is higher. The dose of your sulfonylurea medicine or insulin may need to be lowered while you use JANUVIA. Signs and symptoms of low blood sugar may include headache, drowsiness, weakness, dizziness, confusion, irritability, hunger, fast heart beat, sweating, and feeling jittery.

Your doctor may do blood tests before and during treatment with JANUVIA to see how well your kidneys are working. Based on these results, your doctor may change your dose of JANUVIA. The most common side effects of JANUVIA are upper respiratory tract infection, stuffy or runny nose and sore throat, and headache.

Call 1-888-JANUVIA or visit Januvia.com.

You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit www.fda.gov/medwatch, or call 1-800-FDA-1088.

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Please see the Medication Guide on the next page and discuss it with your doctor.

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Pharmacist

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JANUVIA® (jah-NEW-vee-ah) (sitagliptin) Tablets

Read this Medication Guide carefully before you start taking JANUVIA and each time you get a refill. There may be new information. This information does not take the place of talking with your doctor about your medical condition or your treatment. If you have any questions about JANUVIA, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

What is the most important information I should know about JANUVIA?

Serious side effects can happen in people taking JANUVIA, including inflammation of the pancreas (pancreatitis) which may be severe and lead to death.

Certain medical problems make you more likely to get pancreatitis.

Before you start taking JANUVIA:

Tell your doctor if you have ever had

- pancreatitis
- stones in your gallbladder (gallstones)
- a history of alcoholism
- high blood triglyceride levels
- kidney problems

Stop taking JANUVIA and call your doctor right away if you have pain in your stomach area (abdomen) that is severe and will not go away. The pain may be felt going from your abdomen through to your back. The pain may happen with or without vomiting. These may be symptoms of pancreatitis.

What is JANUVIA?

- JANUVIA is a prescription medicine used along with diet and exercise to lower blood sugar in adults with type 2 diabetes.
- JANUVIA is not for people with type 1 diabetes.
- JANUVIA is not for people with diabetic ketoacidosis (increased ketones in your blood or urine).
- If you have had pancreatitis (inflammation of the pancreas) in the past, it is not known if you have a higher chance of getting pancreatitis while you take JANUVIA.
- It is not known if JANUVIA is safe and effective when used in children under 18 years of age.

Who should not take JANUVIA?

Do not take JANUVIA if:

- you are allergic to any of the ingredients in JANUVIA. See the end of this Medication Guide for a complete list of ingredients in JANUVIA.

Symptoms of a serious allergic reaction to JANUVIA may include:

- rash
- raised red patches on your skin (hives)
- swelling of the face, lips, tongue, and throat that may cause difficulty in breathing or swallowing

What should I tell my doctor before taking JANUVIA?

Before you take JANUVIA, tell your doctor if you:

- have or have had inflammation of your pancreas (pancreatitis).
- have kidney problems.
- have any other medical conditions.
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. It is not known if JANUVIA will harm your unborn baby. If you are pregnant, talk with your doctor about the best way to control your blood sugar while you are pregnant.

  Pregnancy Registry: If you take JANUVIA at any time during your pregnancy, talk with your doctor about how you can join the JANUVIA pregnancy registry. The purpose of this registry is to collect information about the health of you and your baby. You can enroll in this registry by calling 1-800-986-8999.
- are breast-feeding or plan to breast-feed. It is not known if JANUVIA will pass into your breast milk. Talk with your doctor about the best way to feed your baby if you are taking JANUVIA.

Tell your doctor about all the medicines you take, including prescription and non-prescription medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements.

Know the medicines you take. Keep a list of your medicines and show it to your doctor and pharmacist when you get a new medicine.

How should I take JANUVIA?

- Take JANUVIA 1 time each day exactly as your doctor tells you.
- You can take JANUVIA with or without food.
- Your doctor may do blood tests from time to time to see how well your kidneys are working. Your doctor may change your dose of JANUVIA based on the results of your blood tests.
- Your doctor may tell you to take JANUVIA along with other diabetes medicines. Low blood sugar can happen more often when JANUVIA is taken with certain other diabetes medicines. See **"What are the possible side effects of JANUVIA?".**
- If you miss a dose, take it as soon as you remember. If you do not remember until it is time for your next dose, skip the missed dose and go back to your regular schedule. Do not take two doses of JANUVIA at the same time.
- If you take too much JANUVIA, call your doctor or local Poison Control Center right away.
- When your body is under some types of stress, such as fever, trauma (such as a car accident), infection or surgery, the amount of diabetes medicine that you need may change. Tell your doctor right away if you have any of these conditions and follow your doctor's instructions.
- Check your blood sugar as your doctor tells you to.
- Stay on your prescribed diet and exercise program while taking JANUVIA.
- Talk to your doctor about how to prevent, recognize and manage low blood sugar (hypoglycemia), high blood sugar (hyperglycemia), and problems you have because of your diabetes.
- Your doctor will check your diabetes with regular blood tests, including your blood sugar levels and your hemoglobin A1C.

What are the possible side effects of JANUVIA?

Serious side effects have happened in people taking JANUVIA.

- See **"What is the most important information I should know about JANUVIA?".**
- **Low blood sugar (hypoglycemia).** If you take JANUVIA with another medicine that can cause low blood sugar, such as a sulfonylurea or insulin, your risk of getting low blood sugar is higher. The dose of your sulfonylurea medicine or insulin may need to be lowered while you use JANUVIA. Signs and symptoms of low blood sugar may include:
  - headache
  - drowsiness
  - weakness
  - dizziness
  - confusion
  - irritability
  - hunger
  - fast heart beat
  - sweating
  - feeling jittery
- **Serious allergic reactions.** If you have any symptoms of a serious allergic reaction, stop taking JANUVIA and call your doctor right away. See **"Who should not take JANUVIA?"**. Your doctor may give you a medicine for your allergic reaction and prescribe a different medicine for your diabetes.
- **Kidney problems,** sometimes requiring dialysis

The most common side effects of JANUVIA include:

- upper respiratory infection
- stuffy or runny nose and sore throat
- headache

JANUVIA may have other side effects, including:

- stomach upset and diarrhea
- swelling of the hands or legs, when JANUVIA is used with rosiglitazone (Avandia®). Rosiglitazone is another type of diabetes medicine.

These are not all the possible side effects of JANUVIA. For more information, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

Tell your doctor if you have any side effect that bothers you, is unusual or does not go away.

Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

How should I store JANUVIA?

Store JANUVIA at 68°F to 77°F (20°C to 25°C).

Keep JANUVIA and all medicines out of the reach of children.

General information about the use of JANUVIA

Medicines are sometimes prescribed for purposes that are not listed in Medication Guides. Do not use JANUVIA for a condition for which it was not prescribed. Do not give JANUVIA to other people, even if they have the same symptoms you have. It may harm them.

This Medication Guide summarizes the most important information about JANUVIA. If you would like to know more information, talk with your doctor. You can ask your doctor or pharmacist for additional information about JANUVIA that is written for health professionals. For more information, go to www.JANUVIA.com or call 1-800-622-4477.

What are the ingredients in JANUVIA?

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What is type 2 diabetes?

Type 2 diabetes is a condition in which your body does not make enough insulin, and the insulin that your body produces does not work as well as it should. Your body can also make too much sugar. When this happens, sugar (glucose) builds up in the blood. This can lead to serious medical problems.

High blood sugar can be lowered by diet and exercise, and by certain medicines when necessary.

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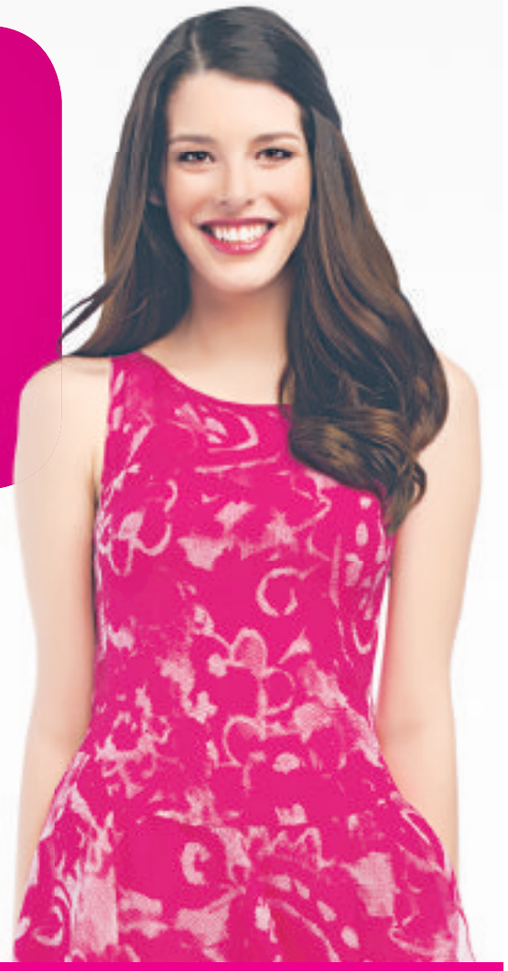

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The Vince Lombardi trophy

▶ Eli Manning greets 30,000 people at Giants Stadium yesterday.

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A New York City football day for the history books

New York Giants fans call Feb. 7, 2012, a day they'll never forget Celebrations downtown, Meadowlands

▶ Brandon Jacobs shares the Vince Lombardi trophy with fans.

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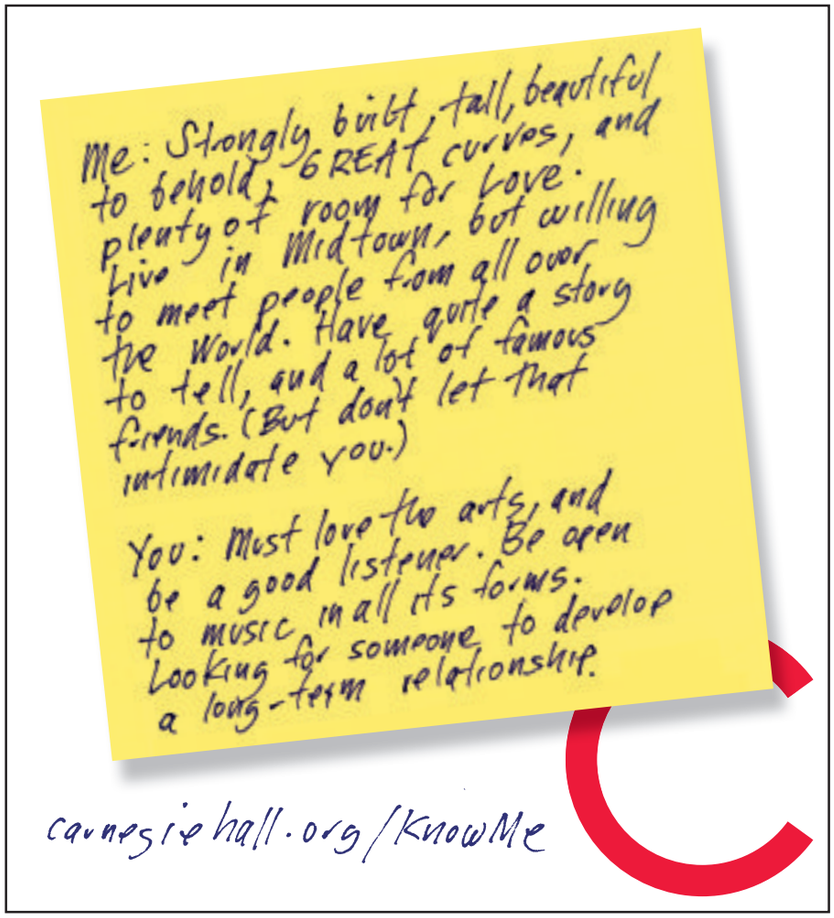
A young fan in NYC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▶ An estimated 1 million people flooded Lower Manhattan for yesterday's parade.

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▶ A lone Patriots fan was escorted out of the parade after reportedly starting a fight.

Forget Romney. Obama who?

▶ Victor Cruz, in red, can catch more than just a football.

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Brooklyn teacher's aide accused of making child porn in school classroom

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A teacher's aide charged last month with possession of child pornography was arrested again Monday night, after FBI agents discovered that he not only possessed kiddie porn, but was allegedly making it in the Bedford-Stuyvesant elementary school where he worked.

Taleek Brooks, a teacher's aide at PS 243, the Weeksville School in Brooklyn, was arrested on Jan. 13 under suspicion that he was downloading and sharing child pornography.

When he was arrested in January, Brooks allegedly confessed to an FBI agent that he had indeed downloaded the videos and, over the past seven years, had collected a catalog of more than 1,000 files.

Agents searched his home on Jan 13. and confiscated a computer and two external hard drives from his bedroom. When investigators examined the files, they found videos that depicted Brooks touching and spanking naked children in a school classroom, according to the criminal complaint.

"It's not about me and you ... It's about us."
TALEEK BROOKS POSTED ON HIS FACEBOOK PAGE

Officials said yesterday they fear that classroom is at PS 243.

Brooks was held without bail yesterday. If convicted, he can face up to 15 years in prison.

Following the shocking allegation, city Schools Commissioner Dennis Walcott rushed to the Bed-Stuy school to speak with teachers and the school's parent coordinator yesterday.

"As chancellor, and as a father, I am horrified and disgusted at the charges we learned of today from the FBI," said Walcott. "Our paramount concern is for the safety of our students, and we are cooperating fully with the federal authorities as they continue their investigation."

The FBI is actively seeking more information regarding Brooks' arrest and will be investigating at the Weeksville School beginning today.

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Brooks

"I try to live a simple life with no stress. Im not into drama and selfishness. Im more about working hard and supporting people i feel needs it."
TALEEK BROOKS POSTED ON HIS FACEBOOK PAGE

FBI timeline

How did FBI agents find the alleged child porn?

- On Jan. 10, a judge authorized a search warrant of Brooks' Lafayette Avenue home in Brooklyn.
- On Jan. 13, FBI agents arrested Brooks in his home, charging him with child pornography. Agents confiscated a computer and two external hard drives.
- Brooks was released on bail.
- Agents reviewed thousands of files of data from Brooks' computer and uncovered two videos that allegedly depicted him molesting children in a classroom.
- On Feb. 6, Brooks was arrested again, charged with child porn production.
- Yesterday, Brooks was arraigned, held without bail.

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Obama got nailed pretty hard yesterday over his decision to embrace super PAC donations for the upcoming November elections. Specifically, the president's campaign manager, Jim Messina, urged supporters to contribute to Priorities USA Action despite critical comments the president has made about campaign finance and the Supreme Court's super-PAC-expanding Citizens United decision.

The backlash was fierce. Democrat Russ Feingold criticized the president as "dancing with the devil" in endorsing "what is effectively a legalized Abramoff system." (Abramoff infamously served hard time for lobbying abuses.) Jonathan Collegio, a spokesman for American Crossroads, the super PAC run by Republican operative Karl Rove, called it "a brazenly cynical move." (Readers are advised to take this latter analysis with a shaker of salt; American Crossroads is, after all, an organization whose sole purpose is smearing, and ultimately defeating, the president and other Democrats in November.)

Cries of hypocrisy stem from disparaging remarks the president has made about Citizens United, most recently some feisty rhetoric from his State of the Union address last month when he said the 2010 ruling "reversed a century of law to open the floodgates for special interests — including foreign corporations — to spend without limit in our elections." Similarly, in an August 2010 address, Obama urged Americans that "we can not allow a corporate takeover of our democracy."

Messina addressed the above sorts of complaint in pointing out that Obama will be facing down hundreds of millions from opposing super PACs. "Our campaign has to face the reality of the law as it stands," he wrote. And considering recent funding disclosures, the reality for Obama is not good. Though the president leads Mitt Romney in non-PAC fundraising, big-money donors on the right have outdonated their left-wing counterparts by almost four times, leaving Obama and his party vulnerable to attack.

Of course, Obama campaigned on ending the corrosive influence of money in politics. Four years later and he's made no visible attempt to fix this problem. Now he needs more money.

Whether or not you hold Obama accountable for this concession to work within the system he has built his reputation on spurning depends partly on whether you value victory over ideals. The president's campaign argues it's more important to utilize the legal fundraising options that will be available to his opponents than to stake a claim on this important issue — and thereby die by it. Is the move hypocritical? Definitely, especially considering he's already done the staking. But if Obama really wants to preside long enough to change this law, he'll need to win re-election first.

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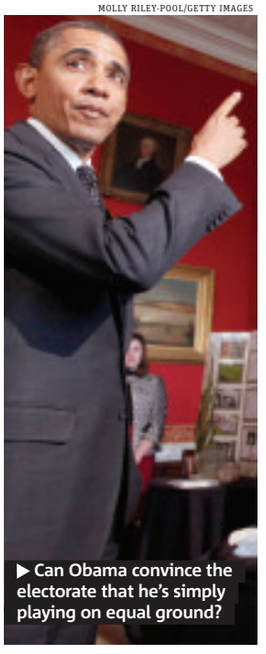

▶ Can Obama convince the electorate that he's simply playing on equal ground?

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The headlines ran the gamut from outraged to pragmatic:

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- "Obama Finds Staying On Campaign-Finance High Road Not So Easy" **NPR**
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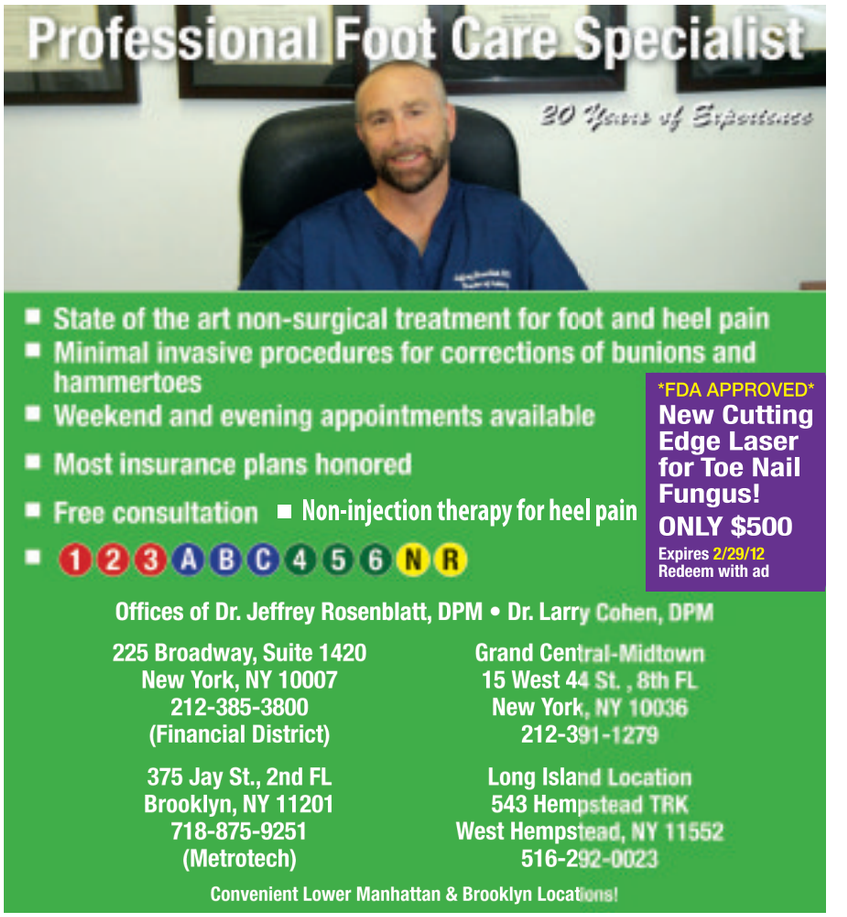
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Court strikes down gay marriage ban

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▶ Gay marriage battle now set for Supreme Court

A U.S. appeals court yesterday found California's gay marriage ban unconstitutional in a case that is likely to lead to a showdown on the issue in the U.S. Supreme Court.

Proponents of the ban said they would appeal the ruling, and the Protect Marriage coalition that sponsored the ban called the judgment "out of step with every other federal appellate and Supreme Court decision." The appeal is likely to keep gay marriage on hold pending future proceedings.

But gay marriage supporters celebrated. Outside San Francisco City Hall, Breana Hansen stood smiling by her partner, Monica Chacon. "We're so happy. It's a validation for us as a couple," Hansen said.

The majority in the 2-1 decision by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals did not address whether marriage was a fundamental right available to same-sex couples as well as heterosexuals. But the two judges ruled that California's Proposition 8 ban did not further "responsible procreation," which was at the heart of the argument by the ban's supporters.

California joined the vast majority of U.S. states in outlawing same-sex marriage in 2008, when voters passed the ban known as Proposition 8. **REUTERS**

Komen VP stands down after Planned Parenthood row

A senior executive of breast cancer charity Susan G. Komen for the Cure resigned yesterday, a week after the group became the target of a public furor for cutting funding to women's health organization, Planned Parenthood.

Karen Handel, a Republican who once ran for governor of Georgia on a platform calling for the defunding of Planned Parenthood, stepped down from her role as the top U.S. breast cancer charity's senior vice president for public policy and chief lobbyist, the organization said on Tuesday.

"I have known Karen for many years, and we both share a common commitment to our organization's lifelong mission — which must always remain our sole focus," Komen founder Nancy Brinker said in a statement. "I wish her the best in future endeavors."

"I have known Karen for many years, and we both share a common commitment to our organization's lifelong mission — which must always remain our sole focus."
KOMEN FOUNDER NANCY BRINKER

Komen's move last week caused an uproar among supporters who also back Planned Parenthood, a provider of birth control, abortion and other health services. Komen reversed the decision on Friday.

Many had accused Komen of bowing to political pressure from anti-abortion groups who want to cut off all funds to Planned Parenthood. The charity says its move had been guided by a new policy to avoid funding organizations under investigation by authorities. **REUTERS**

Staff replaced at sex-abuse school in LA

Educational officials are replacing all staff at a Los Angeles school where two instructors are accused of having sexually abused children. Police arrested Mark Berndt, who they say placed cockroaches on students' faces and offered them spoonfuls of a substance found to be semen. **REUTERS**

Kids in blast were chopped up by father

The boys of a man who blew up his Washington state home, killing himself and his sons, suffered chop wounds and died of smoke inhalation, a law enforcement official said.

Josh Powell locked his children, 5-year-old Braden and 7-year-old Charles, in his house in Puyallap, Wash., and ignited 10 gallons of gasoline and accelerants Sunday, police said. **REUTERS**

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Students abusing booze

Alcohol, not drugs, the main problem among college-goers, new study claims ◐ Substance-abuse treatment for alcohol more common, data show

U.S. college students seeking treatment for substance abuse are more likely to be having trouble with alcohol but less likely to be abusing drugs like heroin, cocaine or methamphetamine than their non-student peers, according to a new government study.

Researchers at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration analyzed data from 2009, when about 374,000 people between the ages of 18 and 24 were treated for substance abuse or dependence in the United States.

The overwhelming majority of those admitted for treatment — about 362,000 — were young adults who were not enrolled in college or post-secondary school, the researchers found.

About 12,000 of the admissions — or 3.2 percent of the total — involved young adults enrolled in higher education.

When researchers looked at patterns of abuse within the two groups, they found significant differences.

The young adults enrolled in higher education who sought treatment were much more likely to be abusing alcohol than their non-college peers, researchers said.

Nearly half of the college kids — 46.6 percent — admitted for treatment in 2009 were having problems with alcohol, compared with 30.6 percent of the non-students.

When it came to most drugs, however, college students had markedly lower rates of treatment admissions than non-students their age.

Only 7.2 percent of the college students seeking treatment in 2009 were abusing heroin, compared with 16.1 percent of the non-students. Cocaine admission rates, meanwhile, were more than twice as high for non-students than for students and methamphetamine admissions were more than four times higher for non-students, the researchers said. **REUTERS**

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These results underscore the "pervasive and potentially devastating role that alcohol plays on far too many college campuses."

PAMELA HYDE, AN OFFICIAL WITH SAMHSA

The loan bubble?

Almost half of bankruptcy attorneys representing U.S. consumers say that potential clients with student-loan debt have "significantly increased" over the past three to four years, a survey found.

The borrowing represents a threat reminiscent of the mortgage crisis, the attorneys group said in a statement. Under U.S. law, student-loan debt — unlike credit-card borrowings — can rarely be discharged in bankruptcy court.

Federal and private student-loan debt is approaching $1 trillion and surpassed credit-card debt for the first time in 2010, according to Mark Kantrowitz, publisher of FinAid.org. **BLOOMBERG**

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▶ College students drink beer from funnels during Spring Break.

3.4M

The number of jobs waiting to be filled rose in December to 3.4 million as employers tried to ramp up hiring in factories, retail and business services, the government said yesterday.

30% **The number of job openings has increased about 30 percent since the end of the 2007-09 recession.**

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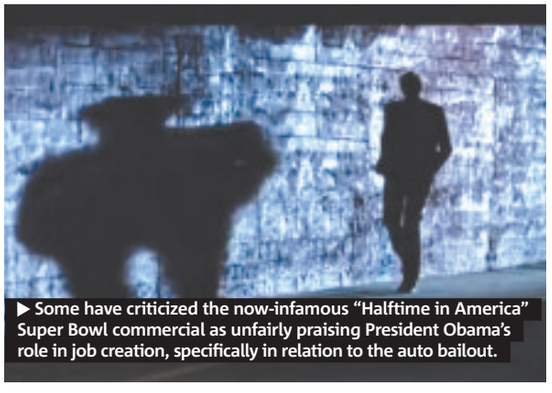

▶ Some have criticized the now-infamous "Halftime in America" Super Bowl commercial as unfairly praising President Obama's role in job creation, specifically in relation to the auto bailout.

Symantec: Hackers tried to extort $50K

WASHINGTON. Hackers sought $50,000 from U.S. anti-virus firm Symantec Corp in return for the stolen blueprints to its flagship products under what the company says was a sting operation run by an undisclosed law enforcement agency via e-mails.

The company said the e-mails were in fact between the hacker and law enforcement officials posing as a Symantec employee.

"The communications with the person(s) attempting to extort the payment from Symantec were part of the law enforcement investigation," company spokesman Cris Paden said, adding that no money was paid.

Paden declined to name the law enforcement agency, saying it may compromise the investigation.

Symantec had previously confirmed the hacker was in possession of source code for its products, obtained in a 2006 breach of the company's networks.

The hacker said he never intended to take the money and warned he would soon release the blueprints for Symantec's software. **REUTERS**

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Deschanel or Perry? You decide!

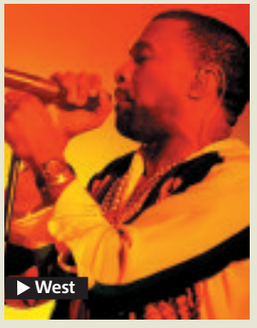
Russell Brand has a type

Say it ain't so, **Zooey Deschanel**!

In the wake of his split from **Katy Perry**, **Russell Brand** has reportedly set his sights on "New Girl" star Deschanel — and has been sending her "fun, flirty texts," according to Hollyscoop. Sources say that Brand "thinks she's hysterically funny and cute, too. He loves her quirky sense of humor, and thinks they'd be great together both on- an off-screen." Coincidentally (or not!), Deschanel filed for divorce from husband **Ben Gibbard** just days before Brand filed for divorce from Perry.

This is weird, because the fact the two women look alike is well documented. In 2009, Deschanel actually complained to MTV News about constantly being confused with Perry. "It's a little bit annoying, to be totally blunt. The only similarity that we have is that we look a little bit alike," she told the site. "I have met her before. She seems like a nice person. I'm happy that she's famous enough now that she's not going out and being mistaken for me."

West: No polyester suits!



West

Kanye West is proving himself to be the **Joan Crawford** of the hip-hop set. But instead of screaming about using of wire hangers, he's showing his disdain for the common folk using fabric that isn't natural. In his Australia tour rider, West insists that his chauffeurs only wear suits that are 100 percent cotton ("no man-made fibers" he states). Oh, and he also specifies that the only thing he will wipe his brow with while on stage are cut-up Versace towels.

This shouldn't be surprising as this comes from a man who once tweeted "fur pillows are hard to actually sleep on," so we know he knows his textiles.

Spotted. Beyonce

Looking good, B!

KEVIN MAZUR

Bodacious baby mama Beyonce

Beyonce showed off her post-baby body in her first public outing since giving birth a month ago, attending husband Jay-Z's charity concert at Carnegie Hall on Monday night.

Talking points

Moore in rehab with Mueller

Although she's undergoing treatment at upscale rehab facility Cirque Lodge in Utah, **Demi Moore** hasn't been spending time with other patients, including **Charlie Sheen**'s ex-wife **Brooke Mueller**, according to Radar Online. "[Demi] hasn't had any interaction with other patients yet. She is still in detox at the moment," a source says. "Brooke hasn't talked to or seen Demi. This is simply because they are in different stages of treatment." Moore is expected to complete a 30-day round of treatment at the facility.

Beckham forced to leave the field

All of **David Beckham**'s professional bona fides didn't matter when it came to challenging a referee at his son's soccer match recently, as the heated exchange ended up with Beckham being forced to leave the field. "The kids are 7 years old and he sent the kid off," Beckham tells **Jonathan Ross** during an interview, defending his actions. "I was like, 'Come on, he's 7, referee, you can't send him off.'"

Pattinson on the vampire craze

Given how much "Twilight" has changed his life, it's no surprise **Robert Pattinson** tends to give a lot of thought to the vampire series — and the ramifications of its success. "Doing something like 'Twilight' opens doors and it closes others," Pattinson tells the Herald Scotland. "You can say, 'Oh if I was still unknown, then no one would judge me. But at the same time, nobody would give a s— either. It's a weird little balance."

A little Channing Tatum action for your Wednesday

1. Which one of these things doesn't belong (just kidding, Jonah!)? **George Clooney**, **Brad Pitt** and **Jonah Hill** attended the 84th Academy Awards Nominations Luncheon at The Beverly Hilton hotel on Monday in Beverly Hills, Calif.

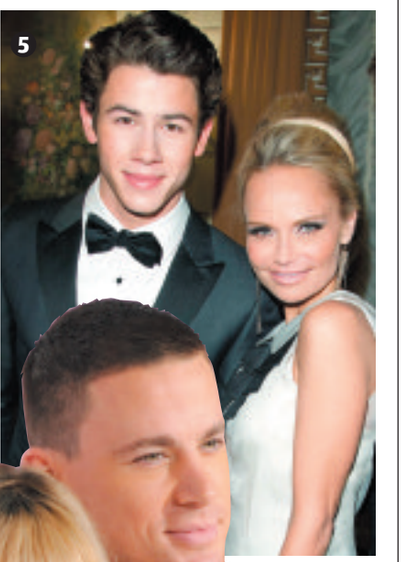
2. Lindsay Lohan arrived at JFK airport on Monday in New York City.

3. Jay-Z performed at Carnegie Hall to Benefit the United Way of New York City and the Shawn Carter Foundation on Monday in New York City.

4. Sharon Stone received the Lifetime Achievement Award from director **Martin Scorsese** at AARP Magazine's 11th annual Movies for Grownups Awards Gala at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel on Monday in Beverly Hills.

5. Nick Jonas and **Kristin Chenoweth** attended the 2012 Drama League Of New York "Musical Celebration Of Broadway" Benefit at The Pierre Hotel on Monday in New York City.

6. Rachel McAdams and **Channing Tatum** arrived at the premiere of their new rom-com "The Vow" at Grauman's Chinese Theatre on Monday in Hollywood.



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This winter may be the second mildest in the country's history, but that doesn't mean we are our skivvies running up and down the streets like crazy people. No, we are indoors bundled up playing video games. Since it gets dark so damned early, scary games do the trick. Here are reviews of two recently released gore fests. Are they scary "uh-oh" or scary "yikes"?

'Resident Evil: Revelations'
Console: Nintendo 3DS
Company: Capcom
Grade: ❶❷❸❹❺
"Resident Evil" is the puss-filled patriarch of the whole survival/horror thing. The recent console installments, however, have been appealing more to action fans and less to horror junkies. "Resident Evil: Revelations" changes all of that. It's a terrifying journey that retains the fast-paced gunplay that make the newer entries so much fun.

The graphics are the finest on the system. The quest is varied, and it's just as long as its console counterparts. So why three globes instead of four? The controls are a bit stilted and benefit from the addition of the forthcoming second analog stick attachment. That's an extra $20. But spending money is scary.

Review

'Amy'

Console: 360/PS3
Company: Vector Cell
Grade: ❶❷❸❹❺
If "Resident Evil" is the patriarch of survival/horror, that makes "Amy" the racist uncle who only shows up at family gatherings to borrow money and steal earrings. In short, this game is awful. The controls are absolutely broken. You can try to pick up an item or hit an enemy, but the game won't let you. It is endlessly frustrating.

▶ Stay away from Amy.

The storyline, dealing with a little girl with strange powers, is kind of cool — but it comes too little too late.

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Dane DeWho?

Recognize this actor? You will after 'Chronicle,' and a few more movies in 2012 Why he may just be the next Leonardo DiCaprio

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DeHaan can crumple cars just by making a fist in "Chronicle."

If Dane DeHaan isn't already a familiar face, just give it some time. While fans of HBO's "True Blood" and "In Treatment" might already be aware of DeHaan, the 24-year-old Pennsylvania native has an impressive slate of upcoming titles hitting theaters over the next year. And he better get ready.

"I don't know that I do spend a lot of time preparing myself for stardom," DeHaan says with a laugh. "I try to just remind myself how lucky I am, and I'm just doing what I've always loved to do. I've never wanted to be famous, I've only ever wanted to be an actor. And for me, that is so much fun that I just look forward to that, and everything else is a really great side effect of that. I haven't really reached a certain point where I lose a ton of my privacy or anything. So when someone comes up to me and tells me they really like me, I just say thank you."

Of course he says that now. We'll check in with him in another 12 months. What's on the slate for 2012? DeHaan will also appear in Prohibition-era drama "The Wettest County" with Tom Hardy, Gary Oldman, Guy Pearce and Shia LaBeouf, as well as "The Place Beyond the Pines" opposite Ryan Gosling, Bradley Cooper and Eva Mendes. And next month he heads to New York to film writer-director John Krokidas' Beat Generation drama "Kill Your Darlings," starring as Lucien Carr opposite Daniel Radcliffe's Allen Ginsberg. Before all of that, though, he stars in "Chronicle," an inventive, found-footage-style science fiction film about a trio of high schoolers whose encounter with a mysterious buried object leaves them with awesome telekinetic powers.

The Leo issue

Dane DeHaan is getting used to comparisons to Leonardo DiCaprio.

"I get that all the time — 'You look like a young Leo,'" he says. "I think that if I was going to have to be compared to one person who was once a young actor, I might pick Leonardo DiCaprio anyways." He's even gotten the stamp of approval from his A-list doppelganger: "He actually came up to me at a party the other day and said hello. It was really a special moment," DeHaan recalls.

"What I've found about working in movies is that I've had the opportunity to work with people who I really believe are successful and are celebrities because they are the best at it. Those are the people I want to work with. If that means being really famous also, then that's OK with me," he says, trying and failing to keep a straight face. "It's like, 'Oh, you're going to be working with really amazing people, but you're also going to be really rich and famous.' Ask me again in 10 years."

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Bearing the soul of 'WIT'

Cynthia Nixon gives a brave, nuanced performance as a scholar with stage 4 cancer
On a sparse stage, the focus is always on the talent

JOAN MARCUS

▶ Cancer patient Vivian Bearing (Cynthia Nixon, left) learns to bond in "Wit," onstage through March 11.

"Wit" is a thinking man's play that rests squarely on the shoulders of its leading lady. In MTC's current production on Broadway, that role is bravely undertaken by firebrand Cynthia Nixon. Not that any other cast member is a slouch; each role is individually carved out and well-performed, but that's ultimately inconsequential.

Nixon plays Vivian Bearing, an English professor who is also a lead scholar of the metaphysical works of John Dunne. Juxtaposing his thoughts on mortality against her own experiences with stage 4 ovarian cancer, Bearing breaks the fourth wall to explain her dissolution to the audience. After all — she admits a moment after exposing her immanent vulnerability — she is first and foremost a teacher.

The setting is sparse, with entire environments insinuated by such ornaments as a desk, bed or chair. Despite a few pillars giving it depth, and a rotating wall conveying transitions of time and space, the Friedman stage often seems much larger than necessary for this intimate work. Without much to look at, you're led to focus on the sharply written dialogue and Nixon's nuanced expressions. Spanning 100 minutes without an intermission, this task does liken to attending a collegiate seminar. There's plenty to learn and experience, but it isn't a play to see for entertainment's sake.

What you do want to go for is the talent. Nixon brings what is essential to this Pulitzer Prize-winning piece: the subtle, searching, yearning side of Bearing — who is, after all, the soul of "Wit."

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▶ It's an unhappy Valentine's Day for Max (Adam Pally) and friends on "Happy Endings."

'Happy Endings'

COMEDY. Despite the series title, there will be no pleasant resolve for this group of friends on Valentine's Day — particularly for Max, who bumps into the ex (guest star James Wolk) he broke up with last V-Day.
9:30 p.m., ABC

'Law & Order: SVU'

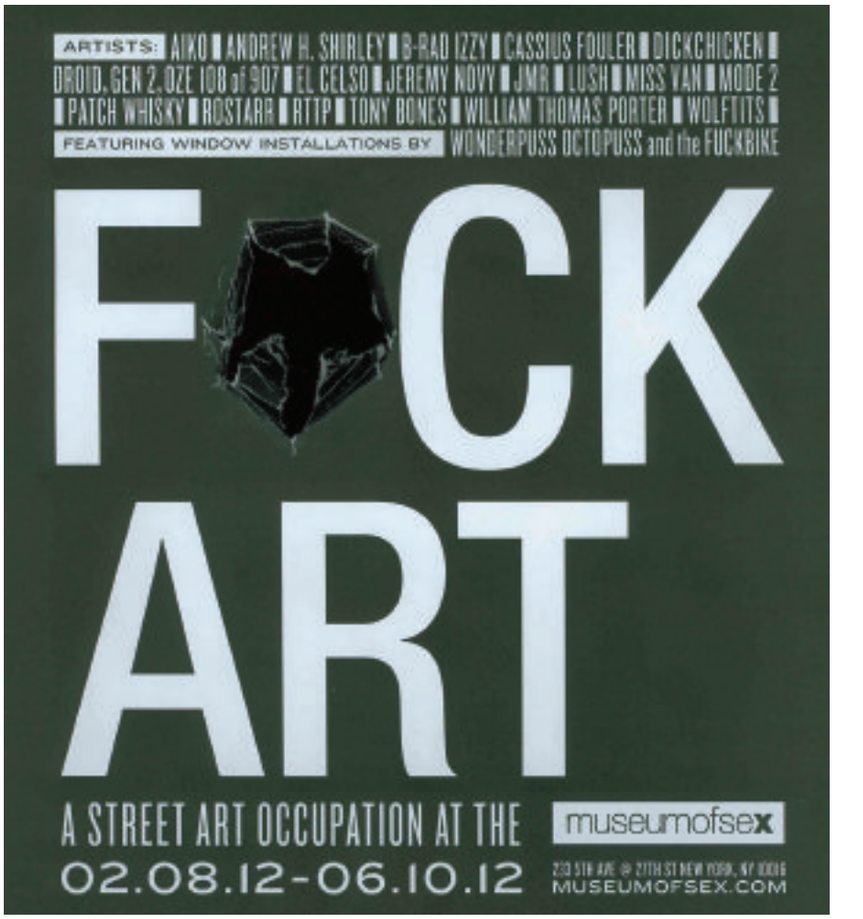
DRAMA. Turns out the dangers of reality TV are more than simply rotting brain cells when Miranda Lambert guest stars as an aspiring actress who may be a shady reality show producer's next victim.
10 p.m., NBC

'Criminal Minds'

DRAMA. The hazards of betting go beyond blowing your life savings when high rollers are murdered in Atlantic City. Bad time for Dean Cain — playing a down-on-his-luck gambler — to guest star.
9 p.m., CBS

'Modern Family'

COMEDY. Phil tries desperately to impress his new business partner, played by Greg Kinnear. As long as he doesn't drop the F-bomb, a la Lily, and spark a silly controversy, he should be fine.
9 p.m., ABC ● **AMBER RAY**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Pasternak's tips to revolutionize your workout

Celeb trainer and co-host of ABC's 'The Revolution' Harley Pasternak tells Metro why we should avoid the workout doldrums in order to stick with the program

By now, your New Year's exercise regimen may have gotten old and, well, boring. If anyone knows how to keep an exercise routine from getting dull, it's fitness guru and celebrity trainer Harley Pasternak. The co-host of ABC's new daytime TV makeover show "The Revolution," who has trained Katy Perry, Robert Downey Jr. and Halle Berry, tells Metro why we should stay out of the workout doldrums and stick with the program.

"Change is what keeps the body developing," Pasternak says. "Keep changing [your routine] up all the time. We expose the body to stimulus and it's forced to adapt. That's where we see the gain. Constantly changing forces the body to constantly adapt and keep adapting."

Watch it

Harley Pasternak transforms lives on "The Revolution," airing weekdays at 2 p.m. on ABC.

If you're bored with your exercise routine, your body and muscles are too — and the workout loses its effectiveness. Try Pasternak's tips to keep your workout invigorating:

- Change which parts of your body you work on.
- Change the music you play during your workout.
- Change tools: Whether you work with barbells or water bottles, change what you use.
- Change the time of day that you exercise.

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Pasternak

Power of five

Pasternak's 5-Factor Success System

Five is a lucky number with Pasternak, who has a Master of Science in Exercise Physiology and Nutritional Sciences, plus an honors degree in kinesiology. That figure kept cropping up in his routines, and it became the basis of his 5-Factor Success System Diet and Fitness Program ($100, www.hsn.com), which launched in January.

"When I was working on movie sets, we would be shooting five days a week and we'd do 25-minute workouts split into five-minute segments. There wasn't a lot of time during shooting breaks so I'd be preparing five-minute meals with no more than five ingredients. I used that [basis] for the 5-Factor System because it's how I found success."

Health notes

Tune in

Two new films seek to educate consumers on just where their food comes from. "Labels Matter" encourages viewers to get behind the mandatory labeling of genetically engineered food in the U.S. (our country currently does not require it), while "The Apple Pushers" documents the lives of immigrant street cart vendors. You can watch "Labels Matter" online at www.justlabelit.org; "The Apple Pushers" screens in New York this spring — visit **www.applepushers.com** for details.

RICHARD SCHULTZ

"The Apple Pushers" gives us a behind-the-cart look.

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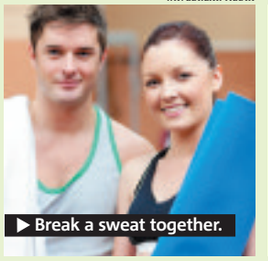
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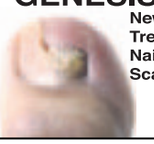

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Obesity and pain

Study subjects: 1,010,762 men and women
Location of study: U.S.
Results: Stony Brook University researchers published a report in the journal "Obesity" that found that of the 63 percent of respondents classified as overweight or obese, their rates of pain were significantly higher than those with a low or normal weight.
Significance: Researchers suggest several reasons for this obesity-pain relationship, including excess fat resulting in inflammation and pain, depression leading to pain sensitivity and medical conditions that cause pain, like arthritis, which may make people less inclined to exercise.

Radiation and the brain

Study subjects: Mice
Location of study: Greece
Results: A Greek study found that protein in mice brains changed after the animals' bodies were exposed to RF electromagnetic fields, similar to the radiation emitted by cell phones, portable phones and wireless computer equipment. The changes were in areas of the brain necessary for learning, memory and other functions.
Significance: This is new evidence for a potential relationship between everyday technology use and brain-related illnesses like headaches, dizziness, sleep disorders, tumors and Alzheimer's.

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▶ There's new data supporting a link between cell phone use and brain problems.

National cancer screening below recommended rate

Study subjects: CDC data
Location of study: U.S.
Results: The CDC and the National Cancer Institute released a report that states cancer-screening remains below the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' targets. The data included screening for breast, cervical and colorectal cancers.
Significance: Screening and early detection prevent cancer deaths. The report stated that the Affordable Care Act, which will broaden insurance coverage, should improve people's access to screenings.

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▶ The government wants more people to get screened for cancer.

Home births on the rise

Study subjects: New mothers nationwide
Location of study: U.S.
Results: A report published by the National Center for Health Statistics states that the number of home births increased between 2004 and 2009 by 29 percent. In 2009, 29,650 home births were reported in the United States, with one in every 90 babies birthed to non-Hispanic white women born at home. Home births were less popular in other ethnic categories.
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Every party has its horrible people

RE: "GOP: NOT RACIST, BUT BIG WITH RACISTS?": To the dummy who mentioned he would find it hard to find a Democrat who would be a member of a white supremacist group ... I guess he never heard of the late Robert Byrd, the ex-senator of West Virginia. Read up on your history before making another false and misinformed statement.
MICHAEL REYNOLDS, VIA E-MAIL

If you take both political parties as groups, you will always find horrible people and views associated with them. Judge people as individuals and not as groups. Groupthink is where racism spreads its ugly tentacles.
KELLY DONNOE, LYNBROOK

Government funds go both ways

RE: "YOU SEE, MONEY FLOWS DOWN THE CHAIN": Mr. Dupont would do well to remember that those "bloodsucker government employees" he hates are the same ones who protect him from enemies foreign and domestic, build and maintain the roads he drives on, ensure his food doesn't poison him and the thousand and ten other things he can't do by himself.
JOSEPH CONNELL, BROWNSVILLE

Oh, Mr. Dupont, there you go again. Where are these government-run Ferrari museums? Will there be one on the new moon base? Democrats just think that people who make more than $1 million annually should pay closer to the percentage that I pay.
SCOTT KEELEY, VIA E-MAIL

To Mr. Dupont: What on earth are you talking about?
KEVIN NANCE, VIA E-MAIL

"Perhaps it is time to make a clean sweep in Washington."

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FRANK ST. GEORGE, EAST ROCKAWAY

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♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** There is a market for the gifts you possess, but it won't come to you — you must find and exploit it.
♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** You could be more fortunate than usual in situations that contain elements of chance. However, you can't leave everything up to luck.
♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** A situation about which you've been quite negative could surprise you with a fortuitous resolution.
♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** A surefire formula for success contains equal parts optimism and elbow grease. Once you determine that you have a chance, put your muscles to work.
♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** You might start out with some rather modest objectives; but once you spot something looming over the horizon, you'll immediately switch targets.
♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** The two greatest assets you possess are your optimism and your common sense. When the duo acts in unison, you won't have any trouble.
♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** A change you've been trying to orchestrate on your own may happen with a smidgen of intervention from Lady Luck.
♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Someone who has been watching you for a long time has decided that he or she wants to meet you.
♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** By demonstrating a willingness to be cooperative, you will engender a similar response from others.
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Linsanity goes to DC

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▶ Jeremy Lin has 53 points and 15 assists the last two games.

Jeremy Lin latest sensation to take over Madison Square Garden ◗ Knicks count on him against Wizards

New York can be a notoriously fickle sports town. But do something great and the fans will certainly stand up and take notice. Literally.

Just ask the newest Garden sensation, Knicks point guard Jeremy Lin.

Lin moved into the starting lineup Monday night after a star-making performance against New Jersey over the weekend. Doing it once was one thing, but when he had 28 points and eight assists against the Jazz on Monday he received standing ovations and, yes, MVP chants.

"I'm not going to sit here and say I knew I was going to do this or whatever," Lin said after Monday's game. "But I got an opportunity. I thank God for it. ... I don't think anyone, including myself, saw this coming."

In Saturday's game against New Jersey, Lin's first prolonged playing time, and then again against Utah, head coach Mike D'Antoni gave the ball to Lin and let him run wild down the stretch.

"I'm riding him like freakin' Secretariat," D'Antoni said after Monday's win.

The good news is Lin has taken the reins for two straight games. The bad news is he will have to keep it up with Amar'e Stoudemire out indefinitely after the death of his brother Monday and now Carmelo Anthony out with a right groin strain.

"It can be a two-time wonder," Lin said. "That's what I'm worried about."

If he is going to make it three straight name-making performances he will have to do it against John Wall. To say Lin isn't the most athletic guard isn't to state the obvious. Lin knows the opposite is true about Wall.

"He's probably the fastest guard in the league," Lin said. "I know I'm going to have more than my hands full tomorrow, so I'm going to watch some tape and see what I can do to pick up some tendencies or something."

But surprising people, including his coach, isn't new.

"I had no idea [how he'd do]," D'Antoni said. "There were little bits and pieces. There were some glimmers, but there other things I questioned because I didn't know and I was afraid to do anything."

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Anthony out

With Amar'e Stoudemire out due to the tragic passing of his brother, Hazell, the Knicks were already down a star. Yesterday, the Knicks announced they would be without forward Carmelo Anthony for one to two weeks as well.

The Knicks travel to Washington to **face the Wizards tonight (7 p.m., MSG)** and then will host the Los Angeles Lakers in a nationally televised game on ESPN Friday at 8 p.m.

In the news

Yanks add Hall

As the Super Bowl buzz starts to die down, it's a bit of a shock that spring training is just two weeks away.

But the Yankees made a move to add a veteran bat in Bill Hall yesterday. Hall, 32, has played for many teams, maybe most memorably for the Brewers.

He signed for $600,000 and will be a utility infielder/outfielder.

Mario wants a return

Super Bowl XLVI hero Mario Manningham said at an appearance Monday night he would love to return to the Giants this fall.

Manningham, who made the acrobatic, 38-yard catch on the Giants' final drive, is a free agent and the team's interest in re-signing him is unknown.

"I want to come back," Manningham said. "I don't know what's going to happen. ... I'm not really thinking about that right now."

He had just 39 catches this regular season, but had three scores in the playoffs. METRO

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Devils best Rangers thanks to Clarkson

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The two instances were the only explosions the Rangers displayed in their 1-0 loss to the Devils last night at the Garden.

The Rangers are 1-1-1 against the Devils this season. The game was the second matchup between the Hudson River rivals in eight days. There are three games remaining.

Rangers coach John Tortorella and Devils coach Peter DeBoer started their fourth lines in an effort to set the tone for the game. Not coincidentally, gloves dropped to the ice two seconds after the opening faceoff. Brandon Prust fought Eric Boulton while Mike Rupp squared off with Cam Janssen.

The bouts clearly energized the Devils as the Rangers were outshot, 9-0, and outscored, 1-0, in the first 11:53. David Clarkson's power-play one-timer off a Zach Parise feed

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▶ Clarkson

8:14 into the match was the game-deciding goal. Clarkson used a Ranger to screen Henrik Lundqvist while Parise set up from behind the goal. The goal was Clarkson's career-high 21st.

New Jersey effectively neutralized the Rangers by successfully implementing the system that has been the bedrock of Devils hockey for nearly two decades. The neutral zone was so clogged that studio apartments are more spacious than the ice in the offensive zone was last night.

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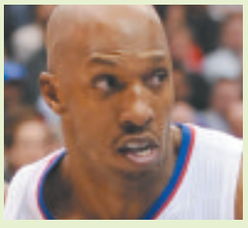

Billups out for year with torn Achilles

NBA. Knicks castoff Chauncey Billups is done for the year after tearing the Achilles' tendon in his right foot.

The Clippers guard, who many Knicks fans were wishing wasn't cut, suffered the injury in the fourth quarter of Monday's win over Orlando.

Billups, 35, was averaging 15 points and four assists per game for Los Angeles' high-powered offensive attack.

Memphis headed to Big East: Report

NCAA. ESPN is reporting that the University of Memphis has accepted a position in the Big East conference and will be moving there for the 2013-2014 season.

The Tigers, who wanted to join back in 2005 when several other Conference USA teams left, would join the league in all sports.

While the Tigers have a decent football program, the school would also replace a large hole made by the vacating Syracuse and Pittsburgh in basketball. The Tigers, coached by young star Josh Pastner, currently stand at No. 20 in the RPI standings.

Ricky Williams retires from NFL

NFL. The always talented — and always mercurial — Ricky Williams is retiring from the NFL.

Williams won the Heisman Trophy in 1998 while he was at Texas and went No. 5 overall in the 1999 NFL draft after then-Saints head coach Mike Ditka traded his entire draft to get him. He finished his career with 10,009 yards, one of just 26 players to cross 10,000 yards.

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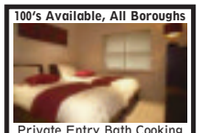
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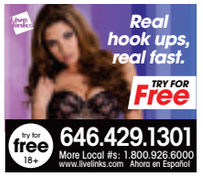

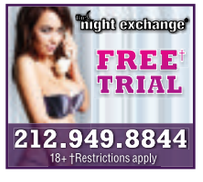

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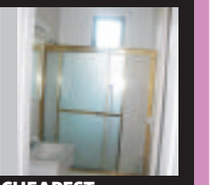

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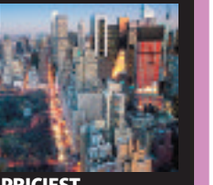

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The tallest home

We got a sneak peak at One57, 2012's most buzzed about residential development It's worth the hype

Upon its completion in mid-2013, the much buzzed about One57, going up on 57th Street between Sixth and Seventh avenues, will be the tallest residential building in the city. Boasting 90 stories, the condominium will offer sprawling views of Central Park and Midtown — as well as some of the most luxurious interiors of any building in the city.

"I've always been fascinated by Central Park. It's a large piece of primitive nature surrounded by inanimate [buildings]," explained architect Christian de Portzamparc. We spoke to him at a special media preview for the property last week where he, along with interior designer Thomas Juul-Hansen and developer Gary Barnett, discussed the inspiration and design behind the new landmark.

While One 57's shiny, sleek façade featuring cascading glass reminiscent of a waterfall is sure to dazzle passers-by, the interior of the skyscraper is pretty spectacular, too.

"We were trying to rethink the meaning of luxury in New York," said Juul-Hansen. To call this building luxurious is an understatement; units feature hand-finished cherry wood floors, bathtubs made out of hand-carved Italian stone, flat-screen TVs in each bathroom, and polished zebrawood cabinets. But really, the biggest luxury to New

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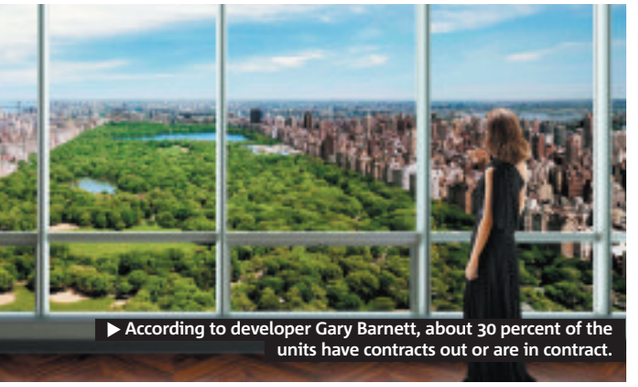

▶ According to developer Gary Barnett, about 30 percent of the units have contracts out or are in contract.

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